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The statistics in this publication are based on a sample survey of finishing plants (broadwoven fabrics) and measure monthly trends in U.S. production, inventories, and unfilled orders for finished broadwoven fabrics.

The production data shown in this report are adjusted for the number of working days in the report period to compensate for differences in individual company reporting patterns, i.e., calendar month, 4-week, 5-week periods. The data are adjusted to reflect the time period shown in table 3.

A description of the survey methodology and related information may be found in the January 1986 report in this series, M22A(86)-1, issued March 1986.

Table 1. SUMMARY OF PRODUCTION, INVENTORY, AND BACKLOG OF FINISHING ORDERS: 1984 TO 1986

(Millions of finished linear yards)

Month and year	Cotton fabrics				Manmade fiber and silk fabrics			
	Production weekly average	Gray goods inventory	Finished goods inventory	Backlog of finishing orders	Production weekly average	Gray goods inventory	Finished goods inventory	Backlog of finishing orders
1986								
April (5 weeks)	53.7	138.7	231.3	187.9	86.6	336.8	340.0	350.6
March (4 weeks)	55.8	135.9	226.2	189.6	87.0	328.5	344.2	330.4
February (4 weeks)	59.6	136.7	230.0	197.8	88.8	330.0	340.2	344.8
January (5 weeks)	51.6	138.5	227.9	189.3	82.1	331.9	342.3	326.9
1985								
December (5 weeks)	45.5	143.8	228.3	183.2	79.6	310.8	353.8	349.5
November (4 weeks)	53.5	147.5	236.5	180.0	92.2	322.0	376.2	355.0
October (4 weeks)	54.5	151.5	242.7	165.7	92.1	311.4	364.7	373.5
September (5 weeks)	53.6	146.5	235.6	179.4	92.0	317.5	353.6	355.7
August (4 weeks)	57.3	135.9	253.7	173.5	86.3	326.3	367.2	351.2
July (4 weeks)	38.3	131.0	237.0	172.1	60.7	327.5	358.7	367.2
June (5 weeks)	47.5	127.2	258.6	171.7	86.1	333.4	369.2	342.3
May (4 weeks)	49.7	133.7	263.0	183.0	83.4	338.6	372.3	355.9
April (4 weeks)	51.2	137.9	266.3	194.5	84.1	343.5	363.1	352.8
March (5 weeks)	54.7	143.6	268.0	195.5	86.9	343.2	357.4	313.2
February (4 weeks)	56.8	146.6	275.9	180.8	87.0	321.4	373.6	350.3
January (4 weeks)	57.3	135.3	272.6	190.0	82.8	321.1	381.9	347.1
1984								
December (5 weeks)	40.3	136.0	271.0	194.2	84.8	327.1	380.8	352.8
November (4 weeks)	45.2	139.7	269.9	199.7	95.2	323.3	419.2	351.9
October (4 weeks)	49.5	149.8	271.6	198.6	99.9	333.5	426.5	376.2
September (5 weeks)	47.0	152.4	263.3	202.3	96.4	334.0	408.6	431.7
August (4 weeks)	49.5	151.2	263.0	189.3	102.4	336.1	439.9	451.9
July (4 weeks)	34.9	171.1	266.7	194.4	72.2	354.2	427.4	505.1
June (5 weeks)	48.6	169.0	278.6	212.6	103.3	325.9	426.2	420.7
May (4 weeks)	53.2	164.6	292.7	227.3	106.0	332.7	424.6	453.1
April (4 weeks)	51.3	167.9	290.1	235.3	103.2	317.0	419.9	462.1

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Table 2. FINISHING PLANTS: PRODUCTION, INVENTORIES, AND BACKLOG OF FINISHING ORDERS

(Thousands of linear yards)

Product code	Product description	April 1986 (5 weeks)	March 1986 (4 weeks)	April 1985 (4 weeks)
	Cotton fabrics:			
22110 10	Gray goods inventory held at end of month	138,687	135,959	137,852
	Finished fabric production	268,598	223,089	204,953
	Whites and plain colors	231,527	189,645	166,598
22617 20	Whites	134,371	107,524	104,451
22617 30	Plain colors	97,156	82,121	62,147
22617 50	Prints	37,071	33,444	38,355
	Finished goods inventories held at end of month	231,264	226,226	266,261
22617 27	Whites and plain colors	169,942	170,036	196,213
22617 50	Prints	61,322	56,190	70,048
	Backlog of finishing orders	187,900	189,591	194,492
22617 27	Whites and plain colors	158,829	162,591	164,417
22617 50	Prints	29,071	27,000	30,075
	Manmade fiber and silk fabrics:			
22210 10	Gray goods inventories held at end of month	336,755	328,475	343,505
	Finished fabric production	433,061	347,803	336,287
22628 35	Whites and plain colors	341,397	272,767	262,650
22628 45	Prints	91,664	75,036	73,637
	Finished goods inventories held at end of month	339,944	344,145	363,089
22628 35	Whites and plain colors	282,307	288,058	306,849
22628 45	Prints	57,637	56,087	56,240
	Backlog of finishing orders	350,624	330,397	352,818
22628 35	Whites and plain colors	312,068	293,725	316,429
22628 45	Prints	38,556	36,672	36,389

Table 3. REPORTING CALENDAR: 1986

Month	Number of weeks	Period covered
January	5	December 29 to February 1
February	4	February 2 to March 1
March	4	March 2 to March 29
April	5	March 30 to May 3
May	4	May 4 to May 31
June	4	June 1 to June 28
July	5	June 29 to August 2
August	4	August 3 to August 30
September	4	August 31 to September 27
October	5	September 28 to November 1
November	4	November 2 to November 28
December	5	November 30 to January 3, 1987

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